

IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF TEXAS  
ABILENE DIVISION

STENNETH BARNETT,	)	
	)	
Plaintiff,	)	
	)	
v.	)	
	)	
GEO GROUP, INC., et al.,	)	
	)	
Defendants.	)	Civil Action No. 1:15-CV-224-C

**ORDER**

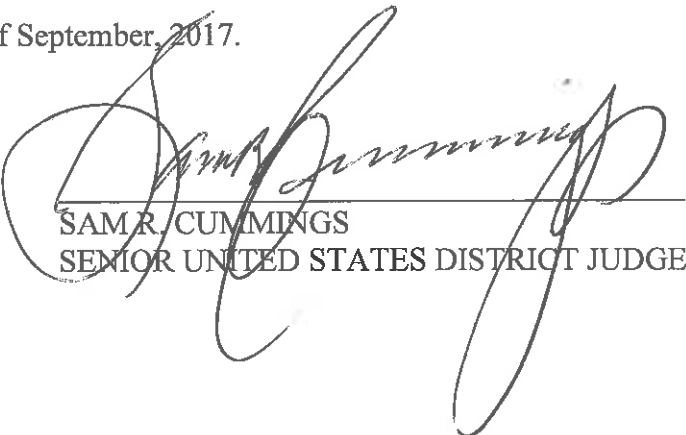
On this day the Court considered the Complaint filed by Stenneth Barnett, proceeding *pro se* and *in forma pauperis*, on November 17, 2015, together with Plaintiff's More Definite Statement, filed August 30, 2016. On August 10, 2017, the United States Magistrate Judge entered a Report and Recommendation advising that Barnett's complaint be dismissed after screening under 28 U.S.C. §§ 1915A(b) and 1915(e)(2)(B). Barnett's complaint is subject to preliminary screening under these statutes because he is a prisoner seeking redress from an officer or employee of a governmental entity and because he is proceeding *in forma pauperis*. Barnett did not file any objections to the Report and Recommendation and the time to do so has now expired.

The Court has reviewed the Report and Recommendation for clear error and finds none. It is therefore **ORDERED** that the findings and conclusions in the Report and Recommendation are hereby **ADOPTED** as the findings and conclusions of the Court. Pursuant to the provisions of 28 U.S.C. §§ 1915A(b)(1) and 1915(e)(2)(B)(ii), and for the reasons stated in the thorough and well-reasoned Report and Recommendation, Barnett's claims are **DISMISSED with prejudice**.

Alternatively, for the reasons further stated in the Report and Recommendation, Barnett's claims are **DISMISSED with prejudice** to their being asserted until the *Heck v. Humphrey* conditions are met. All relief not expressly granted by this Order is **DENIED**.

Pursuant to Rule 22 of the Federal Rules of Appellate Procedure and 28 U.S.C. § 2253(c), the Court finds that a certificate of appealability should be denied. For the reasons set forth in the Report and Recommendation, Barnett has failed to show that a reasonable jurist would find (1) this Court's "assessment of the constitutional claims debatable or wrong" or (2) "it debatable whether the petition states a valid claim of the denial of a constitutional right" and "debatable whether [this Court] was correct in its procedural ruling." *Slack v. McDaniel*, 529 U.S. 473, 484 (2000).

SO ORDERED this 5<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2017.



SAM R. CUMMINGS  
SENIOR UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE